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(*d*) (1) the number of elementary and secondary schools in the Presidency which are specially intended for non-Muslim girls who observe gosha; and (2) the annual expenditure incurred therein by the Government for the past five years;

(*e*) (1) the number of cases in which the Muslim public of the locality, or Muslim associations applied to the Government for providing facilities for the conveying of Muslim girls observing gosha to the schools in the course of the past three years including the current year; (2) the number of cases in which non-Muslim public or non-Muslim associations applied to the Government for providing conveyances to schools attended by non-Muslim girls observing gosha;

(*f*) how these applications were disposed of, what action has been taken thereon, and the reasons for the particular manner in which these applications have been disposed of;

(*g*) what steps have been taken by the Government during the past five years to promote elementary, secondary and collegiate education among the female sex of the Muslim population in the Presidency; and

(*h*) whether the Government will be pleased to establish a girls' school in every area where the population of the Muslim community is 250 and more?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) A statement is laid on the table [a]. Information in regard to elementary schools is available only for the last two years.

(*d*) There are no elementary or secondary schools in the Madras Presidency specially intended for non-Muslim girls who observe gosha.

(*e*) & (*f*) The Muhammadan public of Trichinopoly petitioned that conveyances might be provided at Government expense for the gosha pupils of the Government Training School for Muhammadan women, Trichinopoly. The Government were not convinced of the necessity for the provision of such conveyances and the petition was rejected. Another case in which an increase of the provision for conveyances in the Hobart Secondary and Training School, Royapetta, has been urged, is under the consideration of Government. There are no cases in which the non-Muslim public applied to Government for the provision of conveyances for girls.

(*g*) The hon. Member is referred to the report on Public Instruction in the Madras Presidency for the quinquennium 1922–23 to 1926–27.

(*h*) The question of opening elementary schools for Muhammadan girls is under investigation. It is not, however, possible to provide a girls' school for every centre with a population of 250 or so, as the number of girls of school-going age in such centres will be small.

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Appointment of the Principal and the Vice-Principal of the Madras Law College.

* 1430 *Q.*—Mr. P. Bhaktavatsulu Nayudu : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Law College Council recommended any person or persons for the Principalship of the Law College consequent on the impending retirement of the present incumbent ;

(*b*) whether the Law College Council recommended any person or persons for the Vice-Principalship of the college ;

(*c*) whether there is any office of Vice-Principal of the Law College at present ;

(*d*) whether the same Law College Council did not approve of the creation of the office of Vice-Principalship recommended by the Law College Reorganization Committee and suggested by the Government ;

(*e*) who were the members of the committee then, and who are the members of the committee now ;

(*f*) what are the reasons for the proposed creation of the office of the Vice-Principalship of the Law College now ;

(*g*) whether the Law College Council before recommending the persons for the Principalship and Vice-Principalship invited applications by open advertisements ; if so, in what manner ;

(*h*) whether the Government received any resolutions of the Law College Council regarding the recommendation of a Principal and a Vice-Principal ; if so, when the Government received the resolutions and when the Law College Council passed the resolutions referred to above ;

(*i*) whether the Government will insist upon inviting applications for the Principalship before the appointment is made ;

(*j*) what is the pay proposed by the Law College Council for the Principalship, what is the present grade of pay ; and

(*k*) whether the proposed nominee of the Law College Council for the Principalship is to be a whole-time officer or whether he will have the liberty to practise also, and if so, why ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Government have not received any recommendation. The post itself has not yet been sanctioned.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The Law College Reorganization Committee did not suggest the creation of a post of Vice-Principal. It however emphasized the importance of library work in the college. In its resolutions dated 17th December 1924 and 2nd February 1925, the Law College Council recommended the creation of a full-time post of Vice-Principal who would assist the Principal in the administrative work of the college, supervise the library work of the students and the assistant lecturers and also act for the Principal during the latter's absence on leave. The Government considered that, to begin with, it would be sufficient to sanction the creation of a part-time post of personal assistant and librarian who would assist the Principal in organizing the library work of the students and do such other duties as might be assigned to him by the Principal. Sanction to the creation